ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

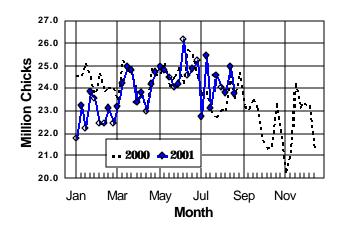
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 23.8 million during the week ending September 1, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000, but 5 percent below the previous week, and included 1.9 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through September 1, 2001 were 838.0 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-typechicks hatched for the week was 24.8 million, slightly above the corresponding week a year earlier, and 1 percent above the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.1 percent.

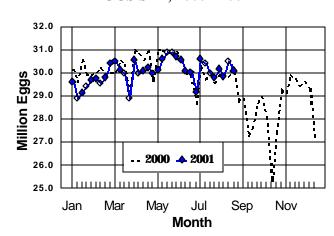
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 1, 2001, slightly above the same period last year but 1 percent below the previous week.

	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICK	KS HATCI	HED	EGGS SET			
Week Ending	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	
	1,000			1,000			1,000			
Jul. 28	23,047	23,136	100	23,611	24,172	102	29,900	29,986	100	
Aug. 4	22,725	24,597	108	24,726	25,245	102	29,565	29,819	101	
Aug. 11	23,105	24,047	104	24,289	24,975	103	29,945	30,204	101	
Aug. 18	23,036	23,811	103	24,435	24,749	101	29,982	29,880	100	
Aug. 25	24,605	24,977	102	24,498	24,436	100	29,844	30,519	102	
Sept. 1	23,583	23,786	101	24,722	24,784	100	30,063	30,112	100	

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)							CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)					
	Week Ending				1/	Week Ending						1/
STATE	11 - Aug	18 - Aug	25 - Aug	01 - Sep	%	28-Jul	04 - Aug	11 - Aug	18 - Aug	25 - Aug	01 - Sep	%
Alabama	30,001	29,256	29,517	29,547	104	21,850	22,603	22,522	21,817	22,622	22,644	106
ARKANSAS	30,204	29,880	30,519	30,112	100	23,136	24,597	24,047	23,811	24,977	23,786	101
Delaware	3,518	3,482	3,515	3,483	89	5,127	4,396	5,443	5,452	5,116	4,955	104
Florida	2,393	2,398	2,320	2,272	88	2,280	2,068	2,649	2,518	2,377	2,446	121
Georgia	31,674	31,693	31,872	31,737	104	24,325	25,638	24,756	24,642	25,295	25,079	106
Maryland	8,797	8,695	8,957	8,795	122	5,377	5,737	5,139	4,861	5,165	5,318	95
Mississippi	18,981	18,630	18,976	18,898	106	15,639	15,597	15,582	14,709	15,835	15,312	102
N. Carolina	17,122	17,574	17,633	16,410	99	13,900	13,982	14,157	13,925	14,631	13,768	101
Pennsylvania	3,548	3,953	3,861	3,762	109	2,748	2,733	2,780	2,930	2,768	2,683	101
S. Carolina	4,835	4,984	5,067	4,949	103	3,993	3,840	4,583	3,998	3,855	4,019	100
Texas	13,695	14,135	14,548	14,767	104	11,772	11,400	11,272	10,903	11,029	10,684	96
Virginia	6,322	6,565	6,504	6,387	106	5,347	5,561	5,315	5,074	5,348	5,255	106
$C\ A\ T\ N\ \&\ W\ V\ A$	11,051	11,279	11,168	11,402	110	10,275	10,125	10,734	10,810	9,363	9,163	96
Total 2001	182,141	182,524	184,457	182,521		145,769	148,277	148,979	145,450	148,381	145,112	
Total 2000	177,674	180,272	178,581	176,154		140,937	142,149	142,260	142,154	144,596	141,877	
% PREV. YEAR	103	101	103	104		103	104	105	102	103	102	
APPROXIMATE M	ARKETING	DATE 2001				15-Sep	22 - Sep	29 - Sep	06-Oct	13-Oct	20 - Oct	
* Revised.	1/ Curre	nt week as p	ercent of the	e same weel	k last y	ear.						
* Kentucky	5,664	5,599	5,541	5,483	* * * *	4,252	4,418	4,147	4,469	4,499	4,453	* * * *
*Oklahoma	5,908	6,295	6,014	5,994	* * * *	3,970	4,384	4,217	4,891	4,310	4,975	* * * *
* L A & M O	8,651	9,102	8,911	8,907	* * * *	9,067	8,590	9,087	8,132	8,527	8,340	* * * *
19 StateTotal	202,364	203,520	204,923	202,905		163,058	165,669	166,430	162,942	165,717	162,880	

^{*} Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 4 PRECENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 183 million eggs during the week ending September 1, 2001. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 2 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 145 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 1, 2001. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through September 1, 2001 were 5.16 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.